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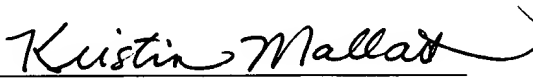
The above-identified patent application is a reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,891,143 issued on April 6, 1999 which matured from U.S. Serial No. 08/954,003 filed on October 20, 1997. U.S. Serial No. 08/954,003 was prosecuted by the law firm of Pretty, Schroeder & Poplawski. The undersigned has been charged with the prosecution of the reissue application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants identify the documents listed on the four sheets of modified form PTO-1449 accompanying this submission. Copies of the publications are not being provided at this time. In an effort to reduce time and expenses, Applicants have requested that prior counsel provide copies of the U.S. patents, non-U.S. patents and other material listed on the PTO 1449. Copies will be provided to the U.S. Patent Office as soon as they become available.

Applicants do not concede that the identified materials constitute prior art within the meaning of the United States patent laws.

Applicants file this paper pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3), before the mailing of a first Office action and, therefore, believe that no fee is due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 11-0855 for any such fee due should Applicants' belief is mistaken.

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